## PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Henry J. Knott Application No.: 10/577,534 Conf. No.: 9594

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Title: FASTENER PRE-STRESSING JOINT

3679 Art Unit:

Emesto Garcia Examiner:

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner For Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Attn: Mail Stop Amendment

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed December 27, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are on pages 2-6.

Amendments to the Claims are found on pages 7-8.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper and include three replacement sheets attached after page 18.

Remarks are found on pages 10-18.